Let's not forget

Land: our most valuable resource

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

Too often, many of us forget that man is dependent on the land and upon the many, many things that made up the land and come from the land.

wasteful of our most basic resources and forego opportunities to increase production of natural resources, accomplished in ways that are environmentally sound and economically efficient.

producing less than half of the forage of which the sites are capable, with resulting losses of benefits of fish and wildlife, domestic livestock, soil stability and water yields.

--Long-term investments in the production of natural resources are not being made at a level necessary to keep pace with expected demands for these resources.

--Opportunities exist to greatly increase production of renewable resources from farm, forest and rangelands to meet nearly all reasonable projections of future needs.

The social and economic well-being of a Nation depends on possessing adequate supplies of natural resources--food, fiber, minerals, and energy at affordable prices. The environmental well-being of a Nation depends on managing the soil, water, land and associated resources in ways that assure, in perpetuity, the availability of those resources to future generations.

Our basic needs for food, shelter and clothing are provided by soil and water. Ultimately, the existence of the human species depends upon how well natural resources are managed and protected.

Wheeler McMillen, former Editor, **Farm Journal**, in his current book **Feeding Multitudes**, says, "Farmers are the only people the world cannot do without."

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THEY DO GET RESULTS

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In 1908, opening a Conference of Governors, President Theodore Roosevelt said, "the prosperity of our people depends directly on the energy and intelligence with which our natural resources are used. It is equally clear that these resources are the final basis of national power and perpetuity."

In 1908, population of the world was less than 2 billion. The U. S. population then was about 92 million. Today, the world population is 4.5 billion and the U. S. population is almost 220 million. Predictions for the year 2000 place the world population at 6.1 million and the U. S. population at 259 million.

One acre of arable land supported one person in 1970. In 2000 the same acre will have to support four people. Cultivated land can be expected to increase only 4 percent because the best land, worldwide, is already under cultivation.

Our Nation has an ample land base for its current and projected population, if the land is used wisely. But the American people continue to be

The latest long range projections of supply and demand of natural resources point consistently to some of the same basic conclusions:

--Production farm and forest land is being lost to urban and other non-agricultural uses at a rate of 3 million acres per year. One third of this loss if prime agricultural land.

--Loss of soil fertility, through accelerated erosion, is equivalent to the annual loss of another 3 million acres removed from production.

--Although air and water pollution is gradually yielding to controls, no lessening of protection can be tolerated.

To maintain food and fiber production to meet expected domestic and international demands, the reserve farm land in the United States will have to be brought into production by the year 2000, if it is still available.

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--The Nation's rangelands are

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Happiness is 4-H

By FRANK SWEET
Extension Agent

Appomattox 4-H'ers will begin a fund raising campaign this week to help raise money for a new Junior Olympic Swimming Pool at Holiday Lake 4-H Center. The pool will be constructed this winter and will be completed by late spring. Appomattox 4-H'ers will be taking orders for a gormet popping corn over the next week. The popcorn will be delivered to customers in early November.

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Senior 4-H'ers will not be submitting Achievement Records this winter as has been done in the past. The 1982 4-H Achievement Records will be submitted for State Judging in August of 1982.

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Fifteen 4-H'ers and their parents enjoyed a morning on the rifle range at Holiday Lake 4-H Center last Saturday. The firing range experience was a final part of the Hunter Safety Education Course which was taught in early October.

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All 4-H projects from last year are due in the Extension Office this week. The projects will be judged, ribbons awarded and returned to the 4-H members in November. 4-H'ers doing an exceptional job on projects will be recognized at a 4-H Awards Banquet later this winter.

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Miss Pam White attended the State Volunteer Leaders Association Meeting in Blackstone this past weekend. Pam serves as a Unit Representative and an officer in the East Central District 4-H Leaders Association. 4-H volunteers are the key to the success of many 4-H programs and activities.

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Several Senior 4-H'ers are available to present 4-H related programs for civic groups or organizations. If your group would like to have a program on "4-H in Appomattox" or "Opportunities in 4-H" give us a call at the Extension Office, 352-8244.

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AMS news

Brett Marston, an eighth grade student at Appomattox Middle School was honored during the summer by being selected to attend the two week Summer Enrichment Program for Gifted and Talented Students held at the University of Virginia.

The Summer Enrichment Program was iniated by Caroline Callahan, Associate Professor of the Foundation of Education and designed to enhance the learning experiences of children in fifth through eighth grades. About 480 students participate in this program each summer.

Essay applications are sent out to both public and private schools in the Virginia area. These are then distributed to those students who are academically gifted. Acceptance to the program is determined by these applications, achievement and intelligence test scores and any recommendations sent by the child's school.

STudents in the program attended classes in either humanities, science, or math. Brett's class was in the area of humanities. He was a participant in a seventh grade humanities class designed and taught by John Callahan and Susan Drigant concentrating on the importance and visibility of change.

Seminars in chosen areas of study were available to the students in areas ranging from poetry to astronomy. Bretts area of concentration was Reporting and Publishing. In this class, the students took field trips, did research, and studied all areas of newspaper work. The group actually researched, designed, and published their own newspaper for the Summer Enrichment Program.

Rounding off the program was evening recreation ranging from arts and crafts to athletics, such as soccer and volleyball.

Brett commented that he found the program both worthwhile and enjoyable. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Marston of Rt. 1, Appomattox.

The teachers at A.M.S. wish to thank the P.H.A. members for the lovely luncheon they served on Oct. 12. Faculty and guest enjoyed the meal and appreciate the thoughtfulness of these students. A lovely

Brett Marston

display was set up of several Home Projects completed by 7th and 8th grade Home Economics students for all to see and enjoy.

Our P.T.A. met Monday night, Oct. 19. Parents and faculty enjoyed the lovely music provided by the music dept. Parents participated in an open house activity in which they followed their son's or daughter's schedule, reporting to each class and visiting each teacher. Everyone really enjoyed this activity and benefited from meeting and talking with one another.

Albers exhibit begins

The work of Josef Albers: Formulation Articulation is on exhibit at Appomattox Elementary School Beginning Ogtober 19 and ending in two weeks.

This exhibition, on loan from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, is comprised of works selected from forty years of Albers' studies of the interaction of color and the many possibilities in the interrelationships of forms.

These visual realizations of color and shape interdependencies, presented in silk screen print, show how Albers worked in a developing series.

For example, one series of prints may show how the same colors, distributed in different quantities, develop new characteristics.

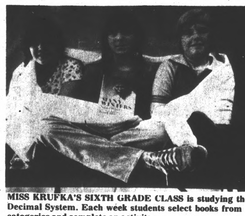
The public is cordially invited to view this exciting exhibit during school hours. Groups should call AES prior to their arrival.

Spaghetti dinner set

The Home Economics Advisory Committee will hold a spaghetti dinner November 6 at Appomattox County High School Cafeteria from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m.

The cost of each plate will be $2 for adults, $1 for children and 6 and under free. Sale of tickets for the dinner will be in advance from any Home Economics teacher or at the door on the evening of the event.

The funds from the dinner will go to the Madeline Thomas Scholarship Fund for FHA/-HERO officers of ACHS and AMS to attend leadership training sessions.



MISS KRUFKA'S SIXTH GRADE CLASS is studying the Dewey Decimal System. Each week students select books from different categories and complete an activity.
This week T. M. Phelps chose a book from the 800 section. He got help from two classmates (Tracy Woods and Kim Romanac) and presented his interpretation of the book MANY WINTERS, by Nancy Wood. The group painted their faces and read several selections from the book.
The presentation was enjoyed by all!

Raider Review

Homecoming spirit noted

By JANE GUILL

Probably the most exciting week at Appomattox County High School is underway now. It is homecoming spirit week.

The Student Council Association has worked long and hard planning the activities for homecoming week. This year's theme is "Time's up for the Minutemen." The Raiders will be playing the Liberty Minutemen in the Homecoming game.

The homecoming court for this year is: freshmen princesses, Anne Caldwell and Donna Dickerson; sophomore princesses, Suzanne Wight and Lisa Panell; junior princesses, Kim Maxwell and Cheryl Cheatham, competing for the title of homecoming queen are the senior princesses, Wendy Lee, Shawn Harvey, and Susan Johnson.

All week long there are numerous activities the students as well as the faculty can take part in.

Monday was T-shirt day and everyone who participated wore a T-shirt. Tuesday was mix match day, no one's clothes seemed to match. Today was preppy day with a lot of alligators coming to school. Thursday is hat day, and on Friday everyone will show school pride as they wear the school colors, red blue, and gray. This activity is one of the many class competitions. Students who participate will receive a point in homeroom each day. The class with the best participation at the end of the week, will win a $20.00 cash prize.

Classes will be competiting all week in various other activities, such as the spirit chain. Spirit chain links will be sold for 10c per link during lunch shifts. The money collected will go into the individual class treasuries.

On Friday the homecoming pep rally will be held. A banner and costume contest will be conducted during the pep rally. Each class will make a banner and hang it in the gym. The class with the best banner will receive a $10.00 cash prize. Also, one person from each class will dress as either a Raider or Minuteman. A prize of $10.00 will be awarded to the class with the best costume. And of course the spirit stick will be given to the class with the most pep!

The highlight of the day will be the homecoming parade which will begin at 5:00. Nine floats are scheduled to be in the parade as well as the band and homecoming court representatives.

The climax of the week will be at Friday night's football game, when the homecoming queen is crowned. A schoolwide election will be held Friday morning to determine the winner. Good luck Wendy, Shawn, and Susan!

The annual homecoming dance will be Saturday night from 8 - 11:30. The band will be Full House.

Mrs. Joyce Jamerson, sponsor of the SCA said that the purpose of homecoming and homecoming week is just for students to show their school spirit.

Homecoming week is really an exciting week. It is a chance for classes to come together, share their spirit, and cheer on the Raiders.

HERO meeting held at ACHS

The HERO meeting was held October 7 in the Occupational Foods Lab of ACHS.

The meeting was called to order by Valarie Stevens and reports were made by various officers. The program was presented by Mrs. Elliott and the filmstrips: **Applying For A Job** and **Choosing A Career** were shown.

The meeting was closed with the members repeating the creed.

Halloween Carnival slated

Spooks, goblins and some parents are busy brewing up a fun-filled evening for the annual PTA Halloween Carnival, to be held Saturday, Oct. 24 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Appomattox Primary School.

Fun and food, games and prizes, cake walks, bingo, swap shop, three "spooktacular" haunted houses, "putt for cash," and much, much more awaits you.

Costume judging will be held at 7 p.m. in the auditorium, jack-o-lantern judging will be at 8 p.m., and a raffle drawing will be at 8:30 p.m.

Residents are asked to get in the Halloween spirit this Saturday evening and support the Primary School PTA and the Halloween Carnival.

SCHOOL HOMECOMING IS FIVE days each week for Appomattox County High School graduates, Mrs. Harriette Beasley, Mr. Thomas Terry, and Mrs. Emilia Racer as they teach classes at their Alma Mater. Here they are approached by band members Neal Leonard and Dean Hamilton to purchase "Appomattox Raider" stadium cushions that will be on sale at the Homecoming game on Friday, October 23. The cost of the cushion is $3.50. They will also be sold at the Farmers National Bank (downtown) and at Central Fidelity Bank. They can be bought at all home athletic events. Anyone interested in purchasing one may also contact Mrs. Betty Hancock or Mr. Frank Coffey at ACHS. This is a fund raising project sponsored by the Band Boosters.

Drama Club starts season

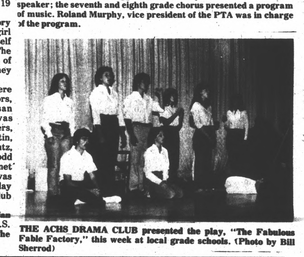
The Appomattox County High School Drama Club began its 1981-82 season with the production of **The Fabulous Fable Factory**, a children's musical. The play was performed at Memphis Elementary School, Appomattox Primary School, and Appomattox Elementary School on October 19 and 20.

The Fabulous Fable Factory centers around a young girl who accidentally finds herself in Aesop's fable factory. The "machinery" which is made of people, comes to life as they sing and act out fables.

Appearing in lead roles were two veteran A.C.H.S. actors, Toby Brennen and Susan Morris. The machine was composed of: Bruce Sanders, David Williams, Ben Martin, Terri Nash, Connie Krantz, Patty Roach, Lisa Mann, Todd Nash, Sandra Giles, and Janet Thomas. Scott Drinkard was pianist for the show. The play was directed by Drama Club sponsor, Joyce Sweet.

Watch the **Times-Virginian** for news of the next A.C.H.S. production, **Fiddler On The Roof.**

APPOMATTOX MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA was well attended by interested parents on Tuesday evening. Lloyd Walton, Superintendent of the Appomattox County School Division was speaker; the seventh and eighth grade chorus presented a program of music. Roland Murphy, vice president of the PTA was in charge of the program.



THE ACHS DRAMA CLUB presented the play, "The Fabulous Fable Factory," this week at local grade schools. (Photo by Bill Sherrod)

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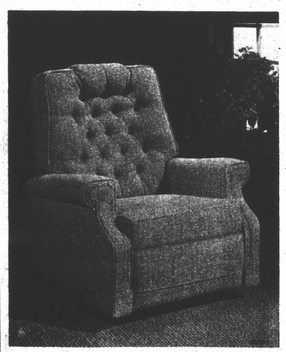

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Collective Bargaining for Public Employees

Gubernatorial candidate Marshall Coleman says he adamantly opposes collective bargaining for public employees.

In the General Assembly, Mr. Coleman voted for legislation that would have given public employees a modified form of collective bargaining: House Bill 1891 in 1973; and House Bill 591 in 1974. Bill 591, which he sponsored, contained no anti-strike provisions.

Tax Increases

In May 1981, candidate Coleman pledged to veto any tax increase if elected governor.

In February 1980, Mr. Coleman supported the proposed 4% tax on the wholesale price of gasoline, declaring that the Highway Fund would still have sufficient revenues to finance only 80% of needed projects.

In August 1981, he proposed funding new highways via revenue bonds and tolls and by diverting General Fund money to the Highway Fund. He also hinted at a tax increase for the trucking industry.

Legislative Experience

Mr. Coleman says his experience in the General Assembly is one of his major qualifications to be governor. Actually, he served one and a half terms in the House and a half term in the Senate before resigning to become Attorney General.

Quality of service counts far more than time in office. Mr. Coleman introduced 71 bills and resolutions, but only 29 were passed. Of the 137 measures he co-sponsored, only 61 passed. He offered three different versions of his 'uniform sentencing' legislation. Not one passed.

The Reagan 'Referendum'

This year, Mr. Colenan is anxiously calling Virginia's gubernatorial election a 'Referendum on President Reagan.'

In 1976, Mr. Coleman worked actively to block the Reagan nomination. In 1977, he called Mr. Reagan's visit on behalf of the Coleman opponent for attorney general an 'intrusion.' And only last year, he refused to endorse Mr. Reagan until it was obvious he would be the presidential nominee.

Conflict of Interest

In 1975, Mr. Coleman introduced House Bill 1284, requiring lobbyists to 'report all retainers, wages and salaries received in connection with lobbying.'

In 1980, *The Roanoke Times* reported that Attorney General Coleman 'supports the creation of a special ethics commission to investigate possible unethical conduct by members of the General Assembly.'

This year, it was discovered that Mr. Coleman's running mate, Nathan Miller, drafted and voted for legislation benefiting certain electric utilities while on retainer as general counsel for those companies. Mr. Coleman's response: 'I'm satisfied with Nathan's conduct.'

This fall, Mr. Coleman had to return a campaign contribution to a member of his finance committee. As attorney general, he had been asked to investigate the man's vote on a controversial highway as a member of the State Highway Commission.

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